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OCTOBER 2018

SERVANT LINES

Christ the Servant Lutheran Church

HURRICANE RELIEF

Since Florence and the subsequent flooding, there have been offers for help from churches in Texas, New York, Georgia, Alabama, and Illinois. We have learned from the LCMC that there is a fund managed on behalf of the LCMC, and that is Lutheran Disaster Assistance. If you know of a need, there is a web site with information about applying for the funds. Please talk to Pastor Joan.

Another agency is the Waccamaw VOAD (Volunteer Organization Active in Disasters), and it is managed by personnel of the Salvation Army here in Conway. Donations may be made through this agency and the web site is *disasterhelp.me*.

Myrtle Beach City Government Facebook page also provided a list of acceptable items for donation and where to drop off the items.

Here at Christ the Servant, we have not yet had the conversation of what we can do as a church, but it will happen soon. If you have ideas for what that may look like, please see Pastor Joan or any council member. In the coming weeks and months, there will be much work to be done!

FREE DINNERS

The free dinners are scheduled for October 19 from 5-7 p.m. All are welcome. Please plan to attend and invite a friend or a neighbor.

MEN'S YARD SALE ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13

On Wednesday, October 10, at 8:30 a.m. the men will be setting up. If it isn't finished on that day, times on Thursday and Friday may be added. All available men who are willing and able, please come and help. This is the biggest fund raiser of the year to help those less fortunate. If you need help getting your items to the church, please call Ken Kean (972-743-7270) or John Garbett (843-902-2491). if a truck is needed.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

All men, please plan to attend the breakfast on Saturday, October 27 at 8:30 a.m... Free-will offering accepted.

SUPPER CLUB

October Supper Club will be on October 27 at 5:00 p.m. at T-Bones, Myrtle Beach.

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THOUGHTS FROM PASTOR JOAN

As I write this, the flooding in Conway and other areas has not yet crested. It seems that we are always waiting for something to happen. Two weeks ago, we were all glued to the weather reports on television as we awaited Florence. And now we are dreading, and anticipating, at the same time, the final outcome of the storm.

Since Jerry and I have arrived, it has been a roller coaster ride. But we are settling in, and as I said in my message last Sunday, Satan cannot win because he has already been defeated by the work that Jesus did on the cross. I believe that without a doubt! And I know that from reading and studying my Bible.

The Bible is the source of all truth (John 17:17). It is the source of power (Romans 1:16), and the source of victory (Ephesians 6:17). It is also the source of God's blessing, "But He said, 'More than that, blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it,'" (Luke 11:28).

In light of that statement, I believe it is time to have a few more Bible studies offered here at Christ the Servant. I know that the two we now have going are good studies, but in comparison to the total membership of the church, there are only a few who attend these studies. Possibly, we need other times offered or different types of studies. Every believing Christian should be actively involved in study of the Word. That does not mean that you spend five minutes a day reading a devotional, and you're done. While reading a devotional each day is a good habit, it is a better habit to be **studying** the actual Word of God.

Paul wrote to Timothy that "All scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work" (2 Timothy 3:16-17). How can we share the gospel with an unbeliever if we don't know what our handbook for life says? And we ourselves can benefit from reading and knowing the Bible, and the passage from 2 Timothy lists four "profitable" things that can be obtained through the study of Scripture.

The first is "teaching," and that can also be thought of as the body of beliefs, principles, and teachings that are the foundation of the Christian faith. If we want to know *what* we believe and *why* we believe it, we should make Bible study a regular habit in our Christian walk.

The second and third things that can benefit us are "reproof" and "correction." The study of God's Word can set us straight when we are either doing or believing something that violates its teachings. It can show us when we are wrong, so long as we are willing to look at the Bible objectively and with an open heart.

The last is "training in righteousness." A new Christian believer is often both excited and somewhat confused. They experience the joy that comes with the realization that they can live a life free from guilt and condemnation. Yet, they also realize that there are many aspects of their old life that simply cannot continue into the new. How do we know what is permissible, and what is not? What pleases God and what offends Him? Bottom line: *How do we live?*

Therefore, I would like to offer a Bible study for women, and we would use the Precept Upon Precept courses. This is a course of study that requires about five hours of homework throughout the week. Then we meet and discuss the homework, and watch an instructional video. We can choose a study from either the Old or the New Testament. This is the study that turned my life around, and we started with Abraham. Please don't be put off by the homework; it can be spread across seven days, and it really is how you can best learn what God has for us in His Word.

Another study would be offered for men, led by Jerry, and it will be "Experiencing God."

We will be making an announcement soon about when these studies will take place, so please watch the announcements.

Grace and peace be you.
Pastor Joan



LUTHERAN MEN'S YARD SALE – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13 7:00 A.M. – NOON

Clean out your storage area, garage or attic and donate those unwanted items for a good cause. (PLEASE, **NO CLOTHING**) If help is needed or pick up of bulky items, please call Ken Kean (972/743 7270) or John Garbett (843 902 2491).



A J Perez and the **OUTREACH MINISTRY TEAM** will be holding **free dinners** to feed the hungry in the area. The dinners are open to anyone and especially CTSLC members. As A J says, "The more, the more better". We are asking three things: Invite any one you know who could use a good meal, someone in need, a friend or neighbor. Second, please sign up if you are coming so there is enough food. Sign up is on the bulletin board. We're looking for a few desserts. If you're able to bring something, indicate it on the signup sheet. Next dinner is scheduled for Friday, October 19, 5pm-7pm. Donations will be accepted. Debbie Sadar 843-903-5733.

OUTREACH news: November 3rd we will hold our "Fall Flea Market". We will be selling table space for people to sell their wares. \$10 per table 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. Set up Friday 3- 7pm and Saturday 7 am. Refreshments will be served. Gayne Wray 856-278-0950

We are going to try something new this year. "**A Christmas Cookie Sale!**" December 15. A poster with more information will be in the Narthex shortly, but start thinking of your prettiest Christmas Cookies. This is going to be awesome. Debbie Sadar 843/903 5733.

Shepherd's Table has an **ongoing** need for supplies. A Wish List of items for Weekend Bags will be on the bulletin board in the narthex. We would appreciate, as you are able, to pick an item or items from the list and place them in the box in the narthex. These items will help Shepherd's Table, which does not serve meals on weekends, to help feed people in need

PAIRS & SPARES will resume on October 9 at 12:30. All congregation members are invited – couples or singles. You are asked to bring a side dish or dessert and contribute \$ 2.00 per person which is used to support our local charities. For more information call Nancy Wrigley, Bonnie Van Gundy or Annette Krapf.

Lutheran Men in Mission are hosting a "**3rd Thursday Lutheran Supper**" for all church members and the public on October 18 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. \$ 10.00 for adults, children under 12 are \$ 5.00 with 3 and under free. Sign-up sheet will be on the narthex bulletin board. A percentage of the proceeds will go to support one of our outreach areas, "The Shepherd's Table" in Conway.

OUR ATTENDANCE IN SEPTEMBER 2018

DATE	SUNDAY SCHOOL	8:30 WORSHIP	11:00 WORSHIP	TOTAL WORSHIP
Sept. 2	10	57	66	123
Sept. 9	N/A	70	136	206
Sept. 16		HURRICANE FLORENCE		
Sept. 23	N/A	50	60	110
Sept. 30	7	65	85	150

THANK YOU to Thrivent member Debbie Goff for directing her Choice Dollars to our Debt Reduction Fund.



WE OFFER OUR DEEPEST CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY to Janice Bourque. Her husband, Roland, passed into the church triumphant on September 2, 2018. Please keep Janice and her family in your prayers.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO SUPPORT OUR CHURCH WITH THEIR TIME AND TALENT!!

A big **THANK YOU** goes out to Bonnie Van Gundy for all of her hard work in having a sign made for the outside of our Fellowship Hall. Sign was done by Welch's Sign Co. in Conway who also did our Church sign.

THANK YOU to Shirley and Jeff Dresch for researching and picking up a new grill for our Church. It was assembled by Jeff Dresch, Rick Reagan, and Keith Van Gundy. The Church has been using second hand grills which badly needed to be replaced. A good grill is needed for Pairs and Spares, Fellowship and Lutheran Men functions.



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28 is **REFORMATION SUNDAY**, the day on which Martin Luther posted his 95 theses on the church door in Wittenberg. Please remember to wear something red to church on this day.

PASTOR JOAN will have regular office hours from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. She can also be reached at (email) joanscheffler@yahoo.com or (cell phone) 815/440 6590.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

1 Judy Gifford
Sue Geneczko
Regine Perez
3 Jeanne Shaffer
4 Andrew Alford
Darlene Ringler
5 Chuck Smith
7 Doris Rhodes
8 Vince Niemetz
10 Bonnie Van Gundy
Daniel Dietrich
Nancy Herbert
11 Vicki Bell
14 Elizabeth Ricupero

18 Doug Larson
19 Carter Calabrese
25 Frank Sarvis
Patty Alfano
31 Tom Pardue

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

11 Vince & Eileen Mannella
16 Chuck & Glenda Smith
17 Allan & Linda Getty
21 Chris & Jill Saenz
27 John & Maryjane Vielhauer



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 5:00 PA Friends Mtg. 7:00 Handbells	3 Noon AA 7:00 Choir	4 7:00 Bible Study	5	6
7 8:30 & 11:00 Worship 9:30 Fellowship 10:00 Sunday School	8	9 10:00 Long Range Planning MT 12:30 Pairs & Spares 7:00 Handbells	10 Noon AA 7:00 Choir	11 6:00 Audubon Society 7:00 Bible Study	12 Noon Yard Sale Set-up	13 7:00 AM – Noon MEN'S YARD SALE
14 8:30 & 11:00 Worship 9:30 Fellowship 10:00 Sunday School	15	16 7:00 Handbells	17 Noon AA 7:00 Choir	18 10:00 Stitchin' Sisters 5:00 3 rd Thursday Dinner 7:00 Bible Study	19 5: Free Dinner	20
21 Celebration Breakfast 8:30 & 11:00 Holy Communion 9:30 Fellowship 10:00 Sunday School 5:00 Congregation Council	22 11:30 League of Women Voters	23 7:00 Handbells	24 Noon AA 7:00 Choir	25 7:00 Bible Study	26	27 8:30 Men's Breakfast 5:00 Supper Club @ T-Bones Myrtle Beach
28 Reformation Sunday 8:30 & 11:00 Worship 9:30 Fellowship 10:00 Sunday School	29	30 7:00 Handbells	31 Noon AA 7:00 Choir	<p>ON THE FIRST SUNDAY of each month you are invited to bring non-perishable food and Monetary offerings for CAP. Please place food in the CAP box and monetary offerings in the Jar. THANK YOU!</p>		

LAY ASSISTANTS

8:30 Chip Booker
11:00 Bob Greaker

ACOLYTES

Shirley Dresch
Sarah Goff

USHERS 8:30

Rick Reagan
Joyce Reagan

USHERS 11:00

Ron Grove
JoAnn Grove

GREETERS 8:30

Darlene Ringler

GREETERS 11:00

George Lotterer
Don Henderson

ALTAR GUILD

Joyce Reagan
Joanna Kean

FLOWERS

Oct. 7 G & D Ringler
Oct. 14 Open
Oct. 21 M & Cline
Oct. 28 Open

If you are unable to serve, please arrange for a substitute.